I CHRISTOPHER Duke of ALBEMARLE, [illegible] cellour of the Univerſity of CAMBRIDGE, having perused the following Orders and Rules, (for the more effectual ſecuring of the Publick Library there) drawn up and agreed upon by certain Perſons choſen by the Senate to deliberate and determine in that affair; Do approve of them, and think it very reaſonable they be ſtrictly obſerv'd by all, and particularly I am of Opinion that no Perſon be permitted the uſe of the ſaid Library untill he firſt take the Oath mentioned amongſt theſe Orders.

NEW-HALL, June 26. 1684. *ALBEMARLE.*

Orders and Rules agreed upon by the Syndics *for the better ſecuring the Publick Library.* June 20. 1684.

I. THat all Perſons (except Foreigners) be prohibited the uſe of the Publick Library unleſs they firſt take the following Oath.

Jurabis quod in Bibliothecam publicam admiſſus nihil quod ad ipſam pertinuerit ſciens volens corrumpes, aut imminues, nullum librum permutabis, auferéſve, aut ipſe per te, aut per alium quemvis, niſi eo modo, iiſque conditionibus, quæ per Univerſitatis decreta requiruntur: Quódque ſis jure iſto tuo ſincerè, & bona fide uſurus, atque omnino ita ut (quantum in Te eſt) nihil inde accreſcat Bibliothecæ damni, Ita te Deus adjuvet & hæc ſancta Dei Evangelia.

II. That no Perſon (except ſuch as are at preſent members of the Senate, or ſhall be at the next Commencement, or except ſuch as are actually Batchelours of Law or Phyſick, or ſhall be at the next Commencement) be admitted to the ſaid Oath, unleſs a Grace firſt paſs the Houſe for his admittance to the Library.

III. That none under the Degree of Maſters of Arts, Batchelours of Law or Phyſick be permitted to put up ſuch Grace.

IV. That no Foreigner be permitted the uſe of the Library without ſuch a Sponſor as the Vice-chancellour for the time being ſhall allow of.

V. That no one ſhall borrow any Book without expreſs l[illegible]ice-Chancellour for the time being, or his Lawfull Deputy, and a note under his ow[illegible]g the name of the Book or Books ſo borrowed. The Books ſo lent to be return'd wi[illegible] Month; the under Library-keeper or ſome other Perſon to bring the Note to the Vice-Chancellour for that purpoſe.

VI. That the Library-keepers ſhall have a Book wherein they ſhall ſet down the names of what Books are lent out, and to whom, and for how long.

VII. That the Vice-Chancellour, or his Deputy with others that he ſhall call to his aſſiſtance, do every Year (or oftner if he ſhall think fit) in the long Vacation viſit and ſurvey all the Books in the Library, by the Claſſical Catalogue: And in caſe they find any to be wanting, to deduct ſo much out of the Library-keepers Salary as will be ſufficient to purchaſe the like again for the Library: according to a Decree of the Univerſity made in the Year 1667.

VIII. That every one who in the Opinion of the Library-keeper ſhall return any Book conſiderably ſoil'd, blotted or defac'd, ſtand oblig'd to buy a new Book of the ſame kind, or elſe to pay double the value of ſuch Book, and if he refuſe to do ſo, that he be *ipſo facto* depriv'd of the uſe of the Library for ever, by the Vice-Chancellour's declaring him ſo to be at the next Congregation.

Hen. James, Procan.

Jſph Beaumont.
Ra. Cudworth.
John Copleſton.
Jo. Spencer.
Humf. Gower.
Nath. Coga.
S. Blithe.
J. Peachell.
Joh. Balderſton.
Rob. Brady.
R. Widdrington.
Humf. Babington.
Tho. Smoult.
J. Goſtlin.
Jo. Billers.
Ben. Pulleyn.
Joan. Ekins.
Ja. Johnſon.
Jo. Richardſon.
Joh. Wotton.
Charles Beaumont.

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June 27. 1684.

Lect. & Publicat. in frequenti Congregatione Regentium & non Regentium, per Venerab. Virum Johannem Ekins, *Sen. Procuratorem.*

Ita teſtor Jac. Hollman, *Not. Publ. & Univerſitatis* Cantabr. *Regiſtrarius Principalis.*